

# On the determination of $\alpha_s$ from jet rates in deep inelastic scattering at HERA

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Differential jet rate analysis  
 $y_2$  averaged over range of  $Q^2 > 200 \text{ GeV}^2$

Integrated 2+1 jet rate analysis  
 $R_{2+1}$  as a function of  $Q^2$  for fixed  $y_{en}$

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## JADE like algorithms

- add missing momentum pseudo cluster (proton remant):  
remove scattered electron cluster
- look for pair of objects  $i, j$  with smallest inv. mass  $m_{ij}$   
different definitions of  $m_{ij}$  are possible
- recombine  $i$  and  $j$  to a single jet  
different recombination schemes are possible
- iterate

## Factorizable $k_T$ algorithm

is used later for the anti-jet rate

- boost clusters to Breit frame:  
remove scattered electron cluster
- for each cluster  $i$ ,  $d_{ip}$  and  $d_{ij}$  are calculated  
 $d_{ip}$ : distance to proton ( $d_{ip} = 2E_i^2(1 - \cos \theta_{ip})/Q^2$ )  
 $d_{ij}$ : distance to clusters  $j$  ( $d_{ij} = 2 \min(E_i^2, E_j^2)(1 - \cos \theta_{ij})/Q^2$ )
- comparing  $d_{ip}$  and  $d_{ij}$ , cluster  $i$  is either assigned to a 'remant' jet, or  $i$  and  $j$  are recombined if  $d_{ij} < 0.5$

## Definition of jet rates

### Integrated jet rate

- clustering ends when no pair  $i, j$  with  $m_{ij}^2/W^2 < y_{cut}$  is left  
( $W$  is the total hadronic mass)  
all jets are considered to be resolvable
- from the number of 2 + 1 jet events, the integrated jet rate  $R_2(Q^2) \equiv \frac{N_{2+1}(Q^2)}{N_{tot}(Q^2)}$  is determined

### Differential jet rate

- clustering is stopped when 2+1 jets are left
- for all events  $y_2 \equiv \min m_{ij}^2/W^2$  is calculated  
(later a cut of  $y_2 > 0.01$  is applied)

# Outline

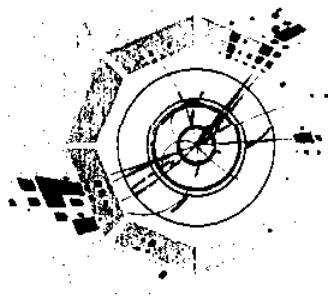
## Differential jet rate

- description of data by QCD Monte Carlo models  
(ARIADNE 4.08, LEPTO 6.5)
- where does NLO describe the data?  
comparisons of partons from parton shower/dipole  
QCD Monte Carlos to exact NLO predictions
- unfolding of the differential jet rate
- fit of NLO predictions to unfolded jet rate
- quantitative estimate of systematic error  
acceptance cuts for detector clusters and partons  
renormalization scale dependence  
recombination scheme dependence

## Integrated jet rate

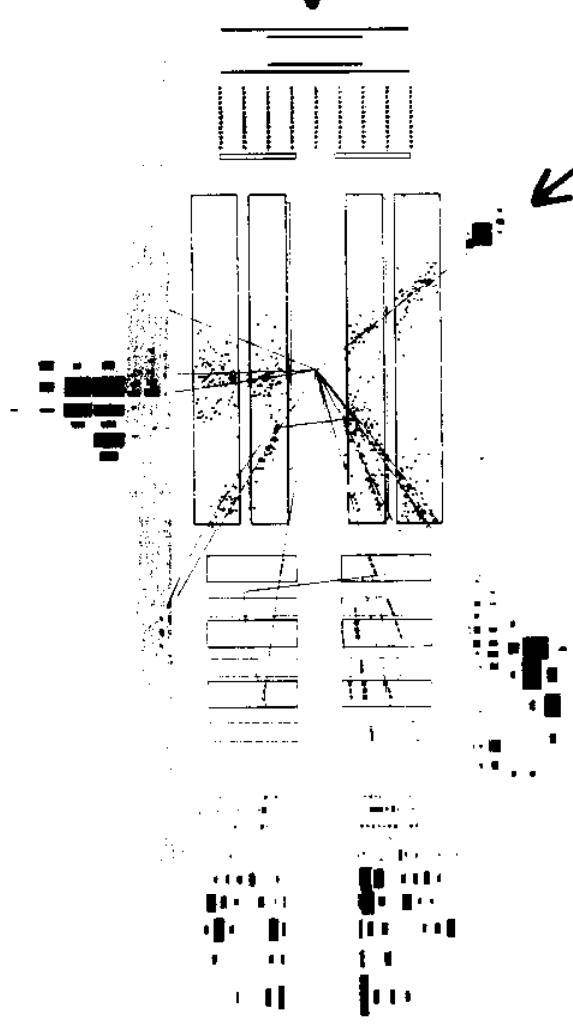
- description of  $R_{2+1}(Q^2)$  by QCD models  
(JADE jet algorithm)

2 jets

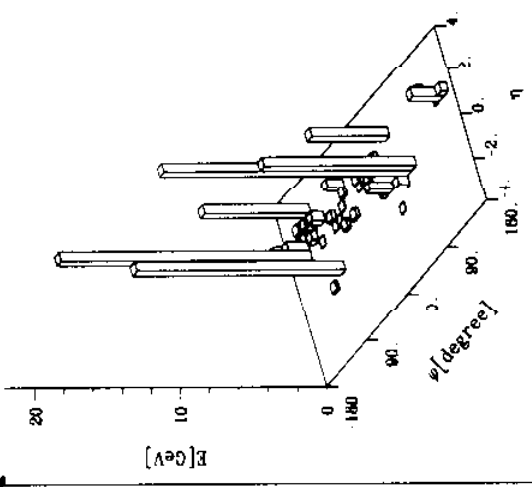


x y

$e^+$   
+ 1 jet



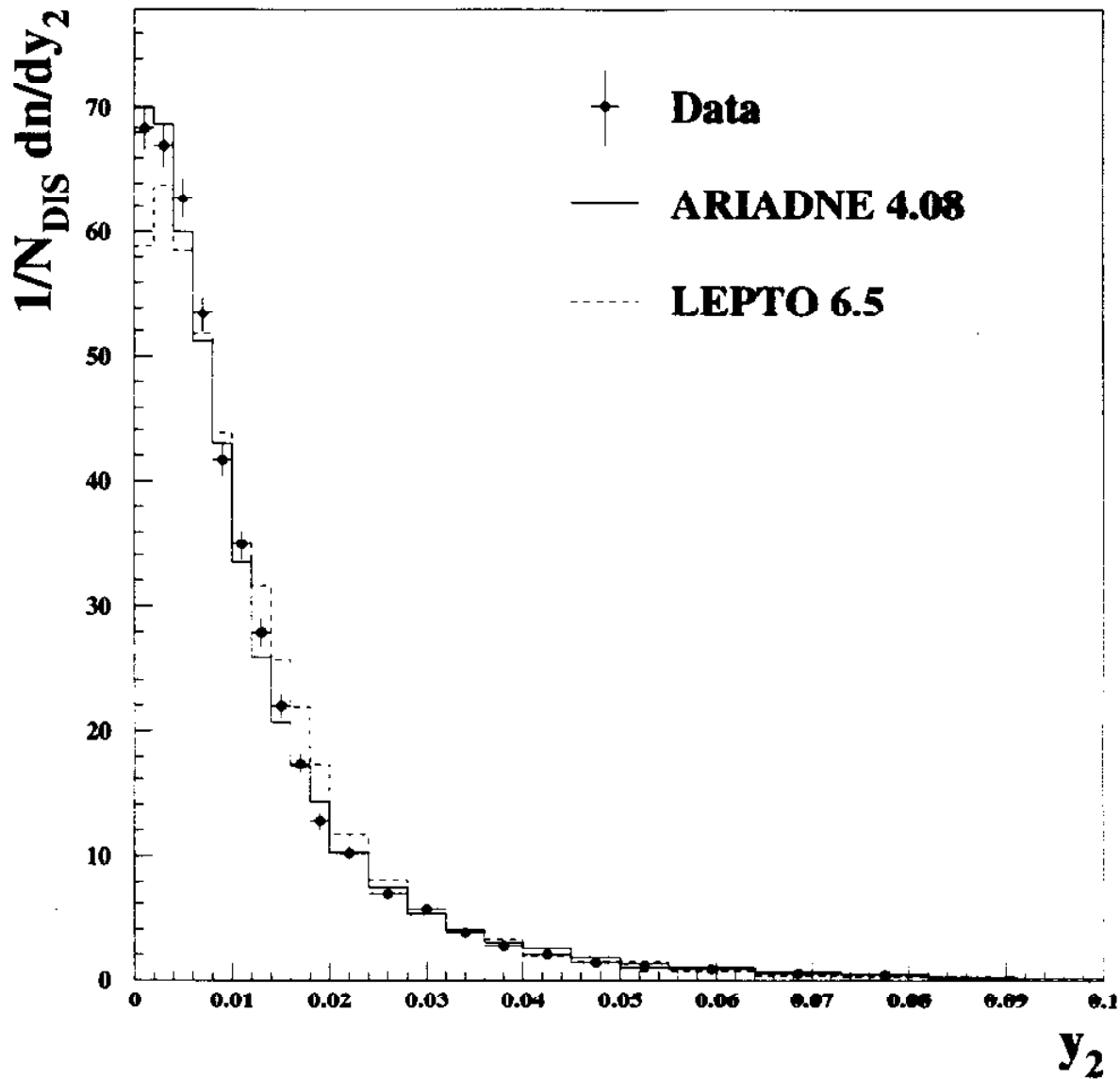
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R  
Z  
 $e^+$

## Comparison of Data vs Monte Carlo

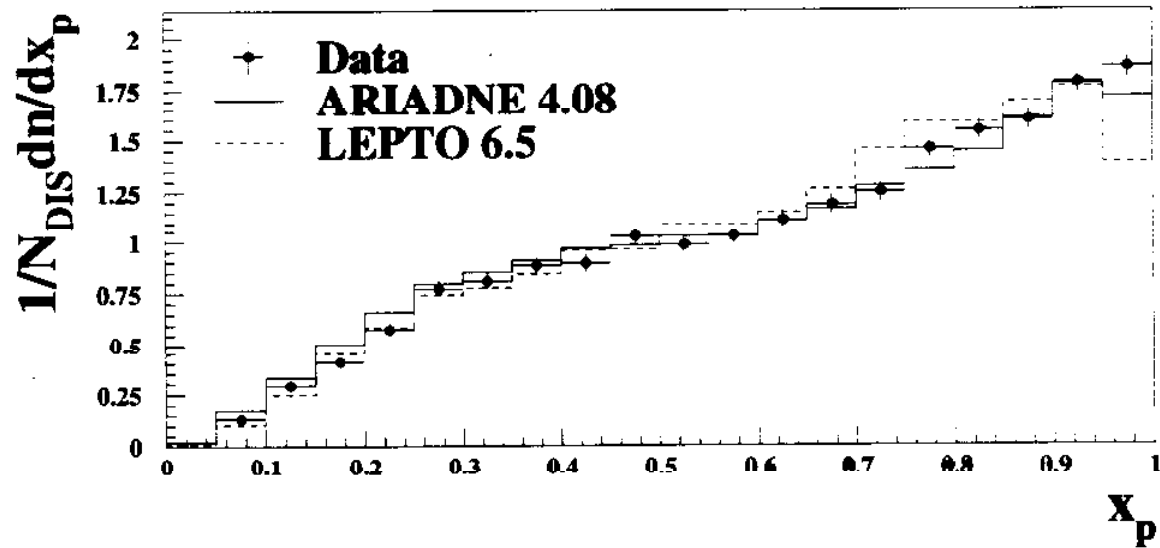
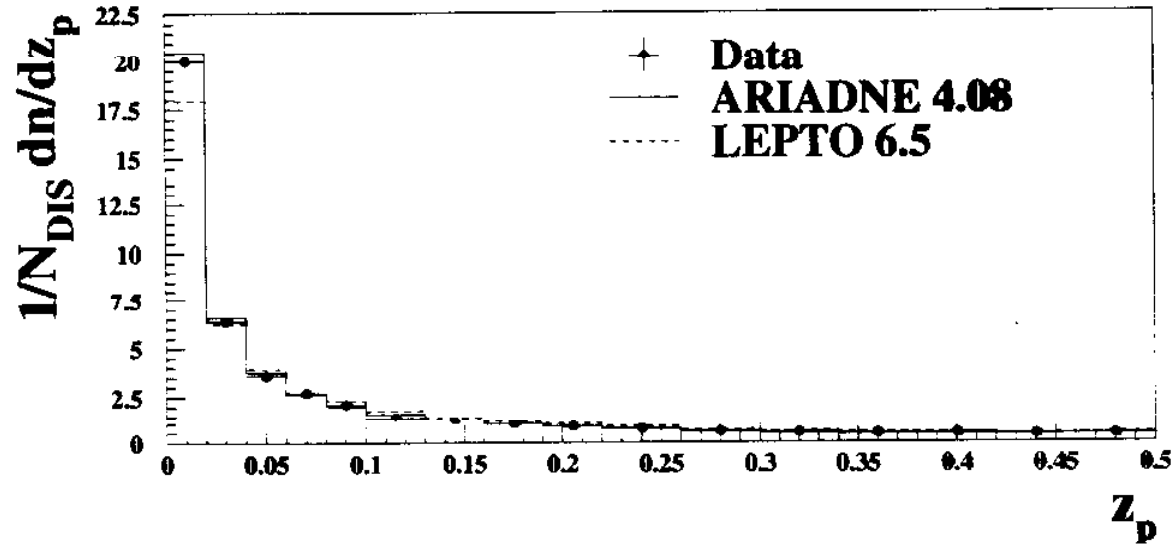
( $Q^2 > 200 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $W^2 > 5000 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $y_2 > 0.01$ ,  $\theta_{clus} > 7^\circ$ )



- excellent description of data by ARIADNE 4.08  
(parameters tuned to HERA data)
- poorer description by LEPTO 6.5

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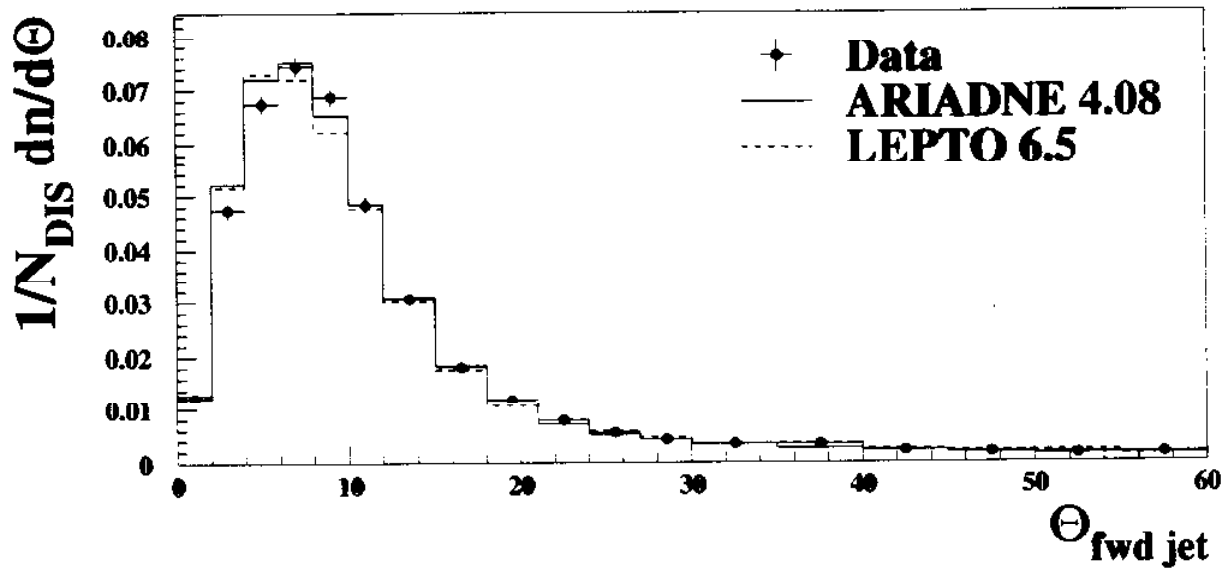
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$$z_p = \frac{\min_{i=1,2} (E_i (1 - \cos \theta_i))}{\sum_{i=1,2} E_i (1 - \cos \theta_i)}, \quad x_p = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + m_{12}^2}$$

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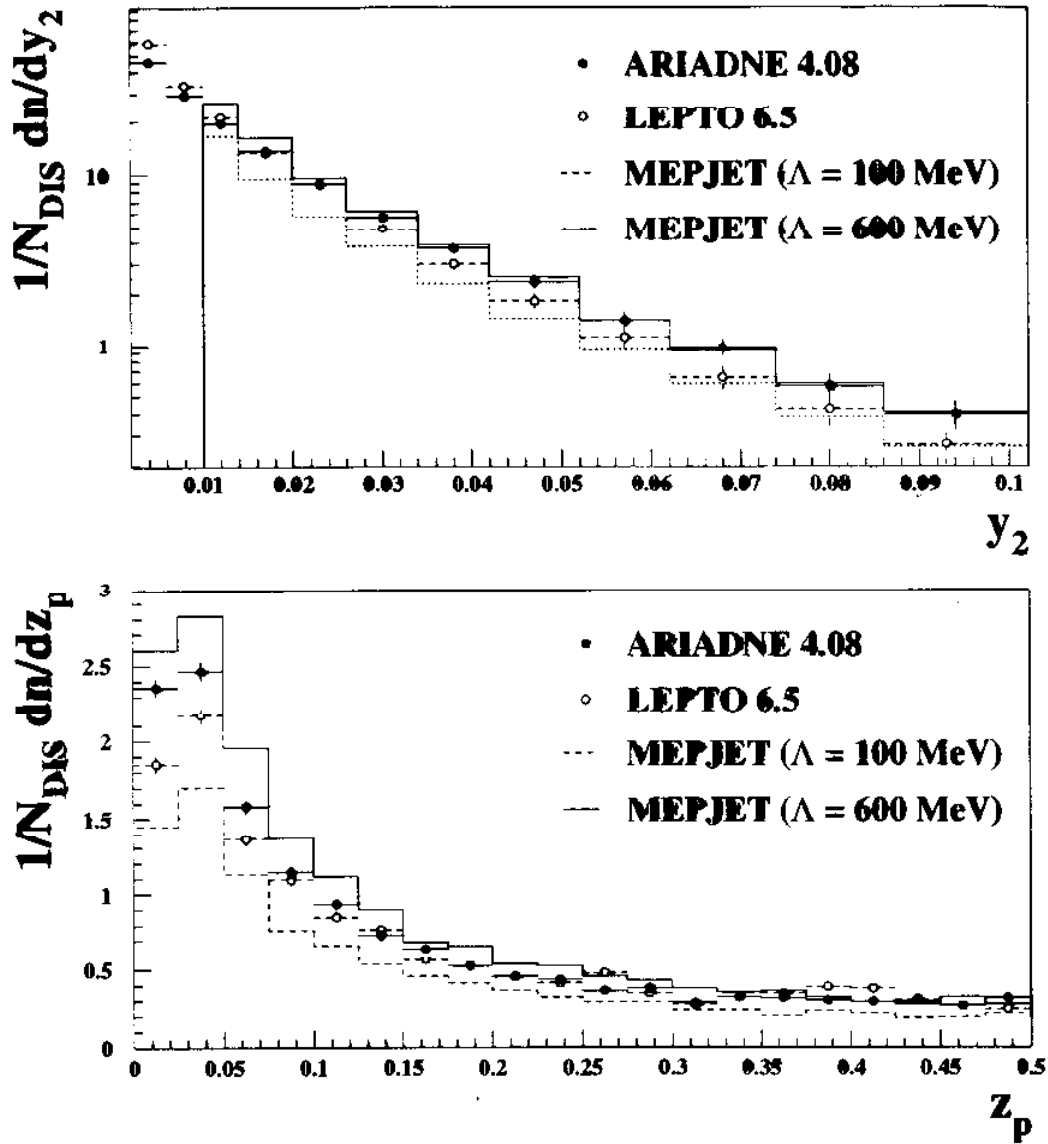


- a full set of complementary jet related observables was checked
- ARIADNE describes  $y_2$  and  $z_p$  very well
- ARIADNE and LEPTO are poor in the description of the forward jet's polar angle distribution
- we unfold the data with ARIADNE in the following



# NLO vs parton shower/dipole MC

(MSRH,  $\mu_r^2 = \mu_f^2 = Q^2$ ,  $y_2 > 0.01$ )



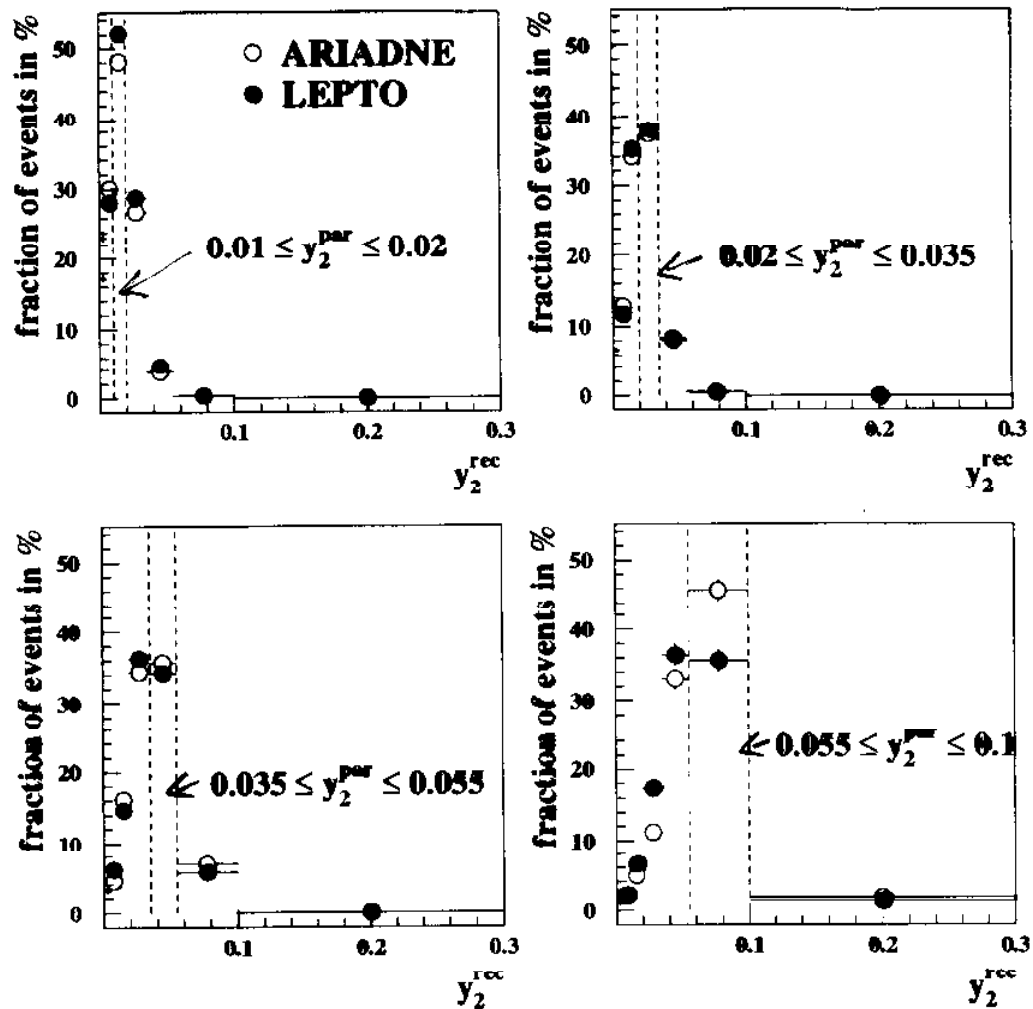
- shape of NLO and ARIADNE/LEPTO  $y_2$  distributions agree well  
agreement of 'normalization' is not expected for extreme values of  $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}^{\text{ch}} = 100$  MeV and 600 MeV
- shape of NLO and ARIADNE/LEPTO agree well in  $z_p$ :  
ARIADNE and LEPTO differ at small  $z_p$

# Unfolding method

(Blobel unfolding)

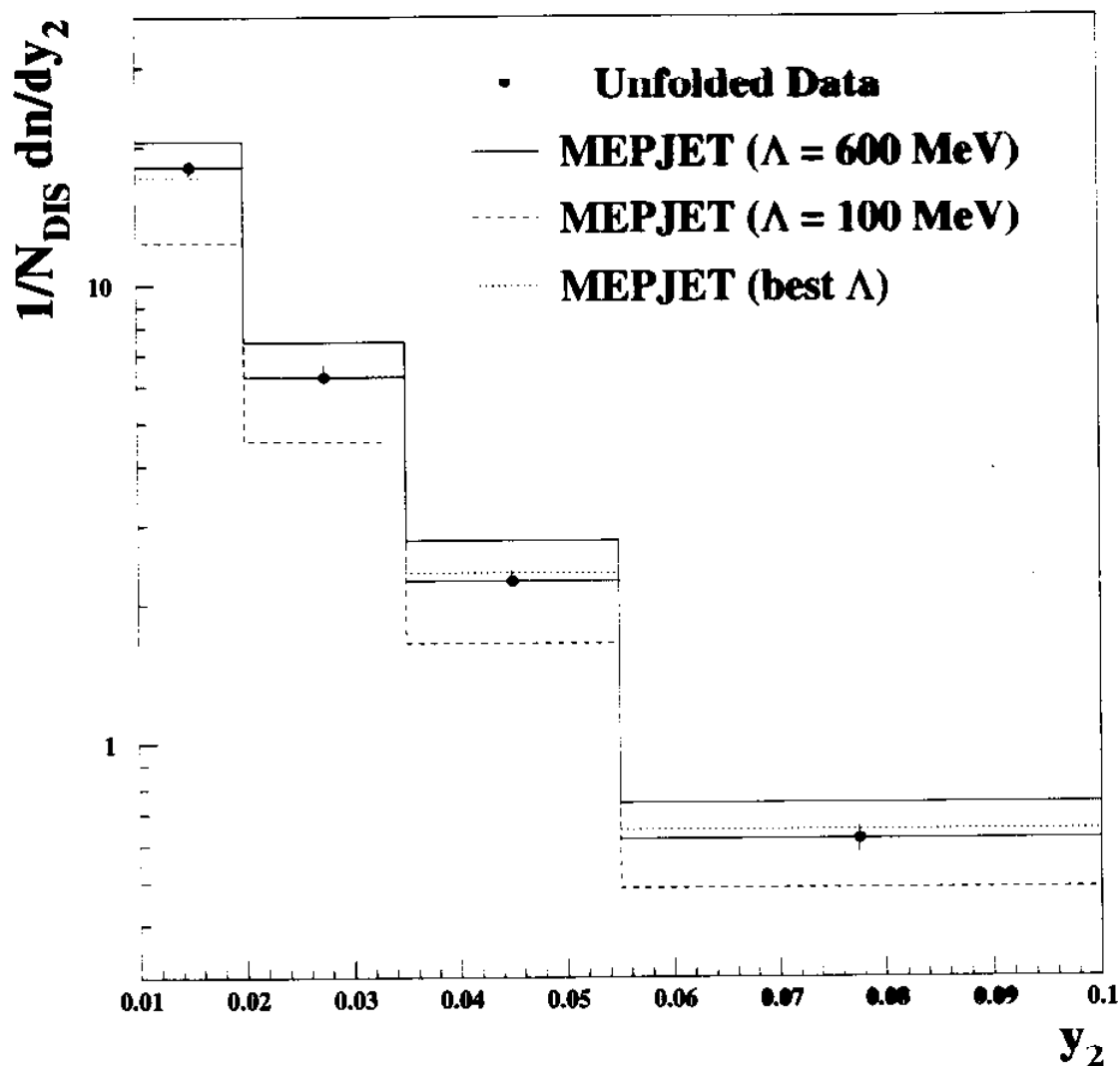
- one step unfolding of hadronization and detector effects
- $y_2^{clus}$  and  $y_2^{par}$  are calculated for each MC event
- a cut of  $\theta_{par} > 7^\circ$  is applied calculating  $y_2^{par}$  to minimize model dependence when extrapolating into forward region
- $y_2^{par}$  is reweighted such that  $y_2^{clus}$  fits  $y_2^{data}$   
(weighting function is found by log-likelihood method, oscillating solutions are suppressed)
- result consists of: 4 bins of unfolded  $y_2$  distribution plus full information of statistical correlations

# Hadronization and detector effects



- rather similar smearing effects are expected by ARIADNE and LEPTO
- size of migration excludes unfolding by correction factor method
- sophisticated unfolding method is applied which considers migrations and provides covariance matrix of statistical errors

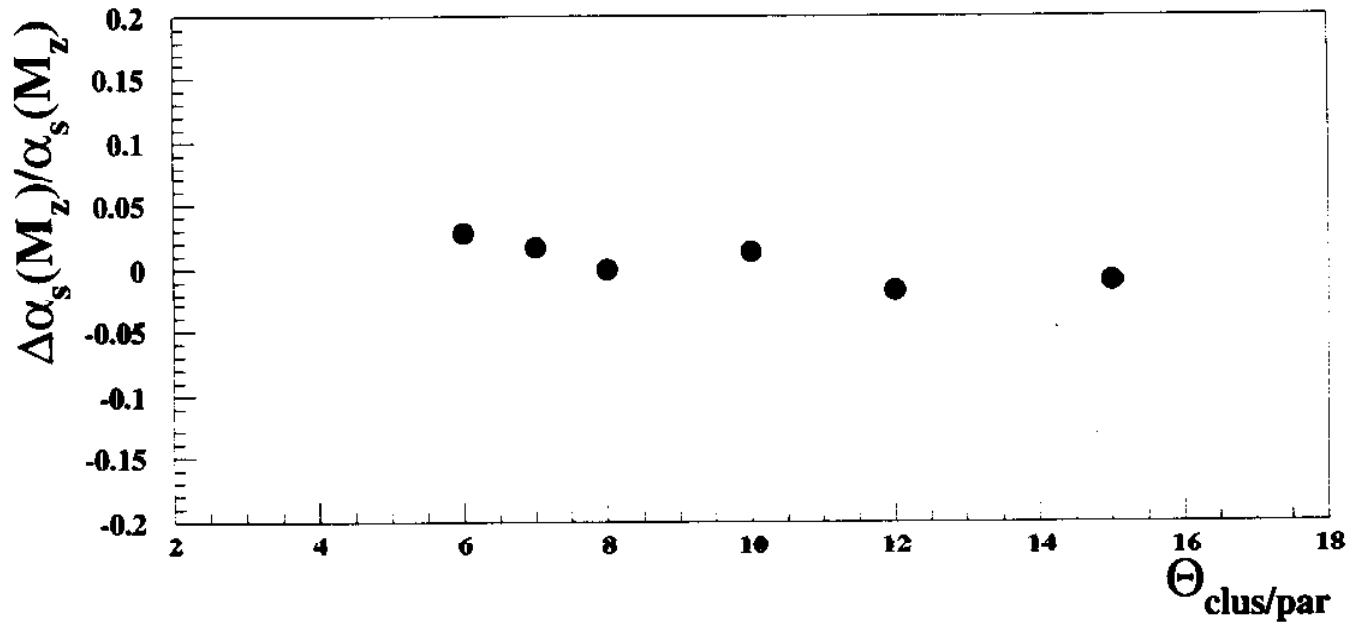
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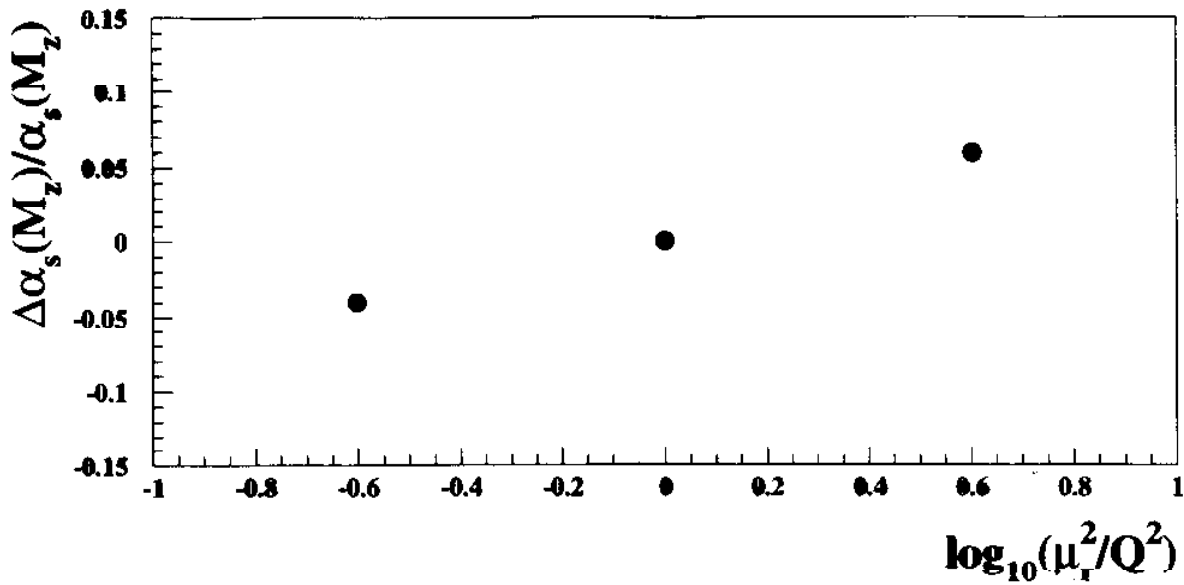
- differential jet rate is clearly sensitive to value of  $\alpha_s$
- $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}^{(4)}$  is fitted to unfolded data considering statistical correlation between bins  
(unfolding is based on ARIADNE)
- NLO and unfolded data agree excellently for  $\alpha_s^{fit}$

## Study of systematic errors

(variation of  $\theta_{clus}$  and  $\theta_{par}$  cuts)

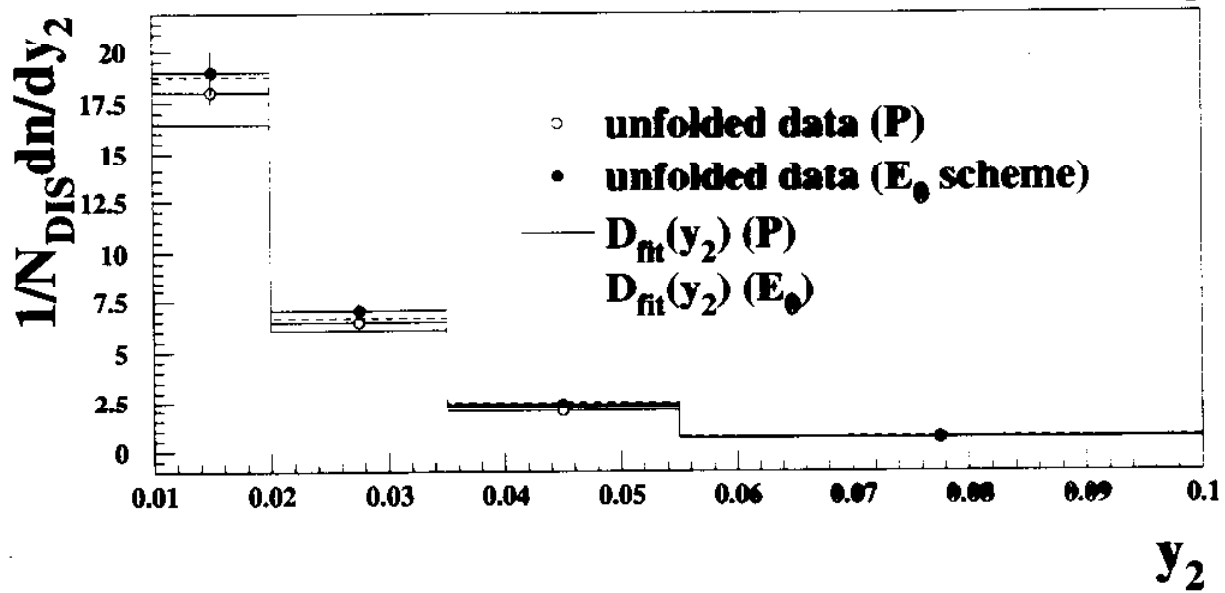
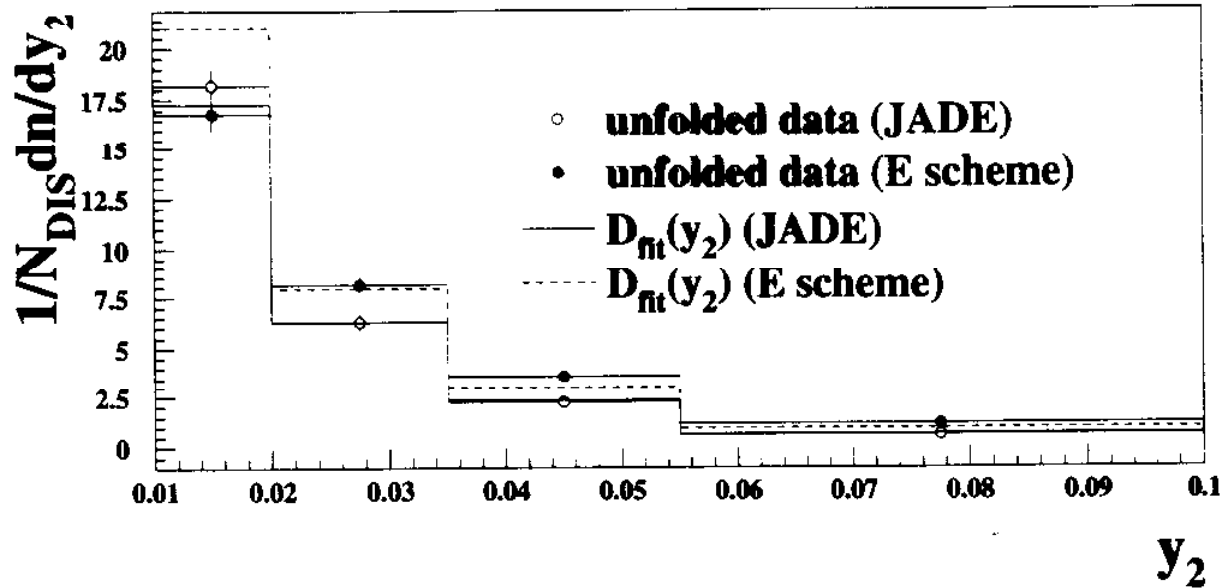


- main motivation for cut  $\theta_{clus} > 7^\circ$  is limited detector acceptance
- jet rate is unfolded for  $\theta_{par} = \theta_{clus}$   
(to avoid model dependent extrapolation into forward region)
- identical  $\theta_{par}$  cut is applied in NLO
- maximum change of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  is +2% and -3%
- no significant  $\theta_{clus}/\theta_{par}$  dependence of  $\alpha_s$  is seen for  $\theta_{clus} > 6^\circ$



- main choice of renormalization scale is  $\mu_r^2 = Q^2$   
(Note that  $Q^2 > 200 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- setting the scale to  $\mu_r^2 = 1/4 Q^2$  and  $\mu_r^2 = 4 Q^2$  changes  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  by  $-4\%$  and  $+6\%$
- setting  $\mu_r^2$  to sum of jet  $p_t$  in the Breit frame changes  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  by  $+4\%$
- the renormalization scale ambiguity gives one of the largest individual errors

## Different recombination schemes



- different algorithms are qualitatively similar
- largest differences are observed between E scheme and JADE,  $E_0$ , and  $P$  scheme algorithms
- $E$ ,  $E_0$ , and  $P$  algorithms give completely compatible but slightly larger values of  $\alpha_s$

## Conclusions

Differential jet rates

- $y_2$  is a good variable to measure  $\alpha_s$
- consistent determination of  $\alpha_s$  with some precision is possible
- prominent uncertainties are due to:
  - description of data by QCD models
  - what is the parton level?
  - renormalization scale dependence
  - choice of parton density functions
- working on correct estimate of model dependence with LEPTO 6.5

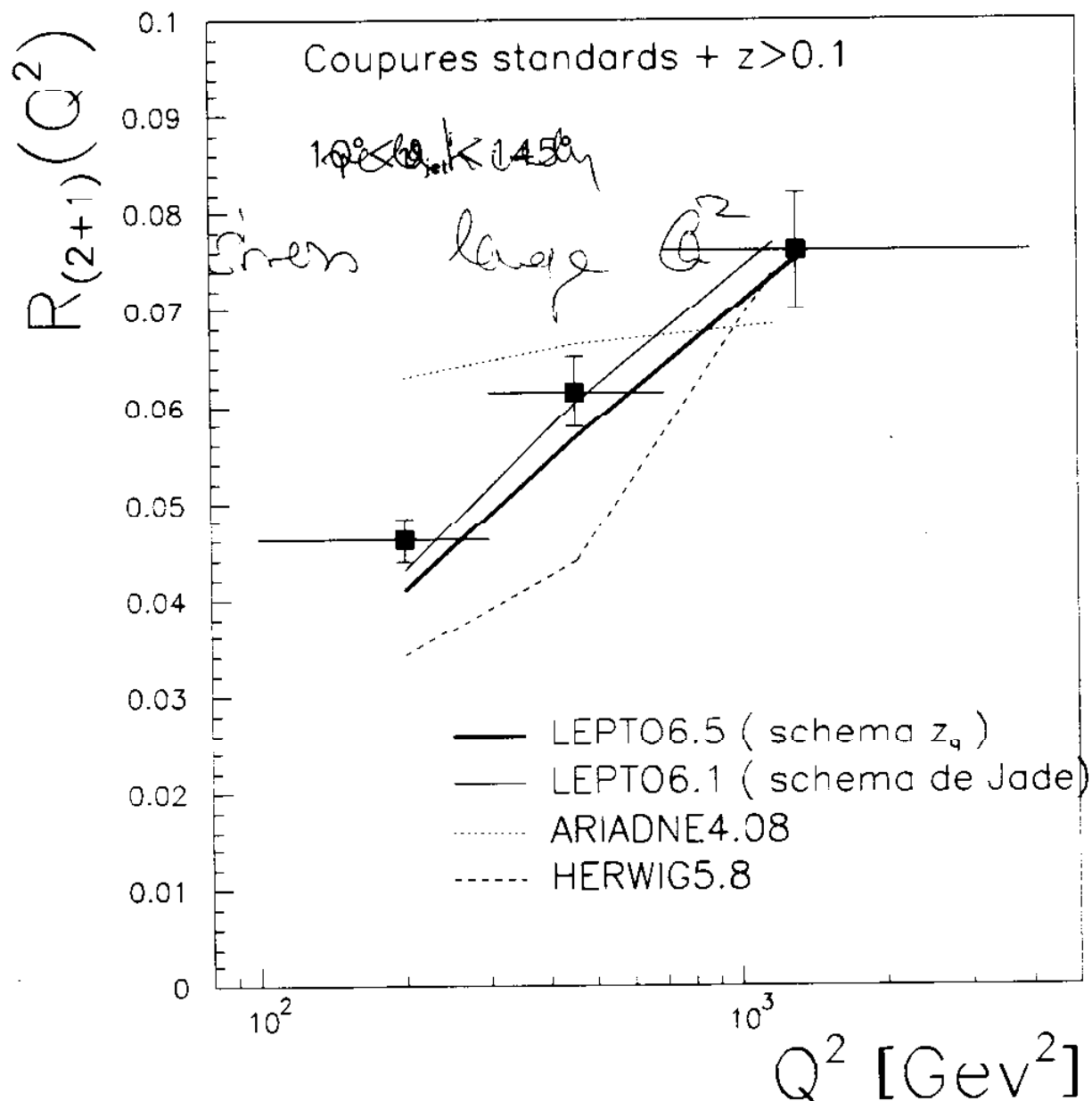
## Outlook

- further reduction of model dependence is desirable
- higher statistics may allow to select more pronounced jets and to reduce hadronization effects
- test of QCD with alternative jet algorithms covering larger/different phase space region
- study of combined  $y_2$  and  $Q^2$  dependence



# Integrated jet rate: Data vs Monte Carlo

JADE jet algorithm  $\beta_{JADE} = 0.021$



- LEPTO describes  $Q^2$  dependence of  $R_{2+1}$  well:  
ARIADNE shows too flat  $Q^2$  dependence
- LEPTO is the preferred model to correct the data
- control distribution like  $\theta_{jet}$ ,  $z_p$  etc. are described by  
LEPTO and ARIADNE however

## Summary

- $\alpha_s$  can be determined from measurement of both integrated and differential jet rates at HERA
- large spectrum of systematic studies has started with the advent of the flexible NLO programs MEPJET and DISINT
- main difficulties/uncertainties of the analyses are:
  - description of data by QCD models
  - what is the parton level?
  - renormalization scale dependence
  - choice of parton density functions
- the best method to determine  $\alpha_s$  from jet studies at HERA has yet to be found